

BTA Delivers DoD's Annual Report to Congress Highlighting Business Improvements

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Arlington, Va. – In a report to Congress prepared by the Business Transformation Agency (BTA), the Department of Defense (DoD) highlighted business improvements during 2009 resulting from information technology (IT) modernizations. The March Congressional Report on Defense Business Operations, recently delivered to the House and Senate Armed Services Committees, updates Congress on progress made through the implementation of the Department's Enterprise Transition Plan (ETP). The ETP implements the DoD's Business Enterprise Architecture (BEA)



which provides the standards for business systems and defines the expected timeline for delivering business capabilities aligned to the Department's business priorities.

This year's report is the first version to discuss how specific business systems help implement the strategic priorities and goals outlined in the 2009 DoD's Strategic Management Plan (SMP). The SMP describes the Secretary of Defense's performance priorities for business operations. The SMP and the ETP provide important strategic and operational guidance against which DoD leaders can make decisions and evaluate business transformation progress in the Department.

Specifically, the report released this month emphasizes the benefits achieved through business IT systems implementations, highlighting the successes of individual systems with short "case-in-point" summaries contributed by military departments and defense stakeholders.

Trish Van Belle from the Business Transformation Agency's (BTA's) Enterprise Planning and Investment Directorate, which coordinates the report's development, described the authorship process: "This was a collaborative effort. These stories do not represent everything that has been accomplished in the Department, but they certainly give Congress an understanding of the breadth of changes underway and where we are headed."

The Congressional Report is developed annually each March pursuant to Title 10, U.S.C. section 2222 through 2013, and is available online at http://www.bta.mil/products/CongressionalReport/MCR2010.pdf